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SUBJECT: Update of National Missile Defense Request for Proposal

Dear Sir:

My purpose in writing today is to update you on our plans to issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) for National Missile Defense (NMD) Tactical and Tactical Support Facilities. Currently, the RFP is on hold until approval is received from the NMD Program Executive Officer. Our current direction is to issue an X-Band Radar (XBR) specific RFP for Eareckson AFS, Shemya, Alaska. Those contractors who participated in Phase I of the acquisition process will receive design drawings and specifications at the revised 60% stage of completion for only the XBR facilities at Eareckson AFS, Shemya, Alaska. It is anticipated that the XBR design drawings will be available on or about May 30, 2000. These drawings are intended to be for information and review purposes. I will issue a separate letter providing additional information regarding the review process.

The RFP will be a two step submittal process, with Volume 1 (Management and Technical) due at the end of 45 days and Volume 2 (cost proposals) due 30 days thereafter. An amendment to the RFP will be issued on or about August 7, 2000, that will update the drawings and specifications from the revised 60% to a pre-reviewed 90% and will allow for more accurate cost proposals.

The appropriate U.S. Army Corps of Engineers District will issue a separate solicitation for site preparation work for the Ground Based Interceptor (GBI) facilities, formerly referred to as Weapon System facilities. A separate RFP will be issued for the remaining GBI facilities construction effort.

With regard to GBI facilities, the Corps of Engineers will be responsible for all site preparation and initial grading; drilling of silo holes; installation of retaining sleeves and shoring for silos; construction of mechanical and electrical buildings (MEBs); installation of utilities infrastructure from MEBs along a backbone with the GBI field; and installation of asphalt paving up to concrete apron around silos and Silo Interface Vaults (SIVs). The Lead System Integrator (LSI) will be responsible for excavation of SIV areas; installation of silos and SIVs; installation of utilities from backbone to silos and SIVs; installation of headworks around silos and SIVs; backfilling and placement of concrete apron around silos and SIVs; and installation of

closure device on silos.

Enclosed are approved changes as a result of a design charette conducted to redefine program requirements. There have been additional changes to the draft RFP after several questions and comments submitted by interested parties. Contractors can still submit questions up to the closing date for the RFP. A Pre-Proposal Conference (PPC) will be held in Anchorage, Alaska during the week of 26-30 June, 2000. A site visit will be conducted in conjunction with the PPC. Specific information regarding the site visit and the PPC will be provided in the synopsis of the RFP.

We appreciate your continued interest in the NMD program. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at 256-895-1151.

Sincerely,

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Enclosed